

TEUTONIC POWERS LAUNCH TRIPLE OFFENSIVE; SUPREME EFFORT TO END WORLD WAR

Mighty Drives in France; Italy and Balkans to Be Extended Soon to Russia—Defensive Attitude to Be Adopted if Blows Fail

Less Talk of Peace in Berlin While Armies Are Engaged. Germany Determined to Fight to the End and Leave to Allies the Initiative in Move to Close Bloodiest Chapter of Human History

GENEVA, May 29.

A triple offensive has been launched by the Central Powers with the growing possibility that it will soon be extended to the east fronts. Troops of the German allies are engaged in offensive operations on the west front, on the Austro-Italian front and in the Balkans.

RIOTS IN ATHENS WHILE BULGARS INVADE GREECE AND SEIZE FORTS

PARIS, May 29.

Riots have broken out in Athens as a result of the Bulgarian invasion of Eastern Macedonia, according to a telegram received today from the Greek capital. A hostile demonstration was made in front of the palace.

CROW CHARGES PLAN TO BREAK UP PENROSE MEETING

Hints at Plot to Interfere With Republican Committee Conference

"SOME ONE" TELEPHONED

Alleged efforts to break up the meeting of the newly elected Republican State Committee...

GERMANS AND BULGARS SHELL ALLIES' DEMIR HISSAR LINE

ATHENS, May 29.—Bulgarian troops, equipped with German artillery and led by German officers, are violently bombarding the Allies' positions on the Demir Hissar front in Macedonia.

THE WEATHER

Being poliethermal may have something to do with it. At this rate, we have the best prospect of a cold that has ever visited upon a humid day.

FORECAST FOR PENNSYLVANIA

Based on a New Forecast by Meteorologist W. J. MOORE and W. F. CABOTTERS.

GENERAL WEATHER MOVEMENTS

A cool movement, due to develop in the northwest, June 3, will be reinforced by an intermittent movement, June 5, making an average of strong winds.

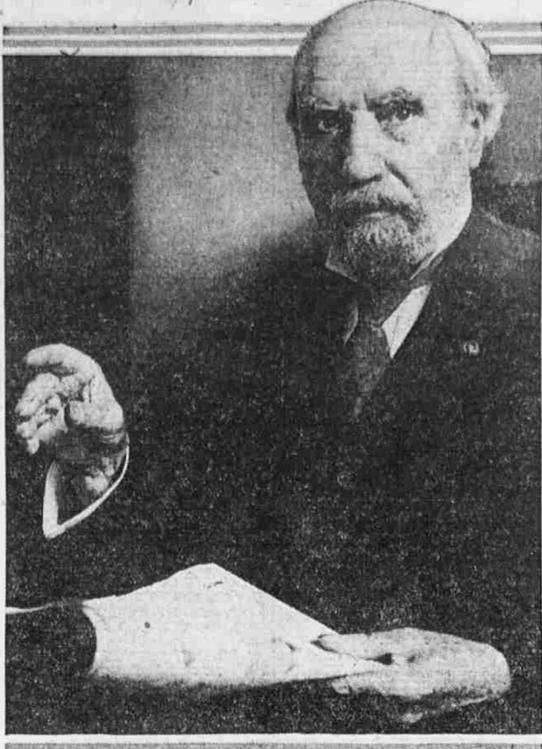
GOVERNMENT FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Unsettled and continued warm and humid tonight and Tuesday, with probably thunder showers; gentle variable winds.

LOST AND FOUND

DIAMOND INITIAL PIN "H. C. W." lost. Reward \$100.00. Return to 1234 Market St.

"EMPIRE BUILDER" DIES IN ST. PAUL



James J. Hill, financier and railroad pioneer, whose lifework was opening up the vast fertile fields of the Northwest to the East, died today after an operation performed by the Doctors Mayo.

FRENCH REPULSE 2 DRIVES ON WEST BANK OF MEUSE

Violent Assaults Delivered by Germans From Woods West of Cumieres

FIVE HOURS OF BATTLE

The west bank of the Meuse has become the scene of violent activity on the part of the Germans.

BURLESON SUMMONED IN 'POSTMASTERS' LOBBY'

Senate Committee Requests Him to Appear—Some Say Blaklee Is 'Goat'

By a Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, May 29.—Dissatisfied with the statement of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Blaklee that his "postmasters' lobby" was not inspired by his chief, Postmaster General Burleson, the members of the Senate Postoffice Committee have decided to "request" the latter to appear before them either tomorrow or Wednesday.

ARMORY COPING FALLS; MAN CRUSHED TO DEATH

Two-Ton Marble Block Breaks Scaffold—Another Workman Seriously Injured

One workman was killed and another fatally injured today when a two-ton marble coping which was being placed over the main entrance of the new State Armory, being constructed at 33d street and Lancaster avenue, fell on a scaffold on which the men were standing.

CONDUCTOR FALLS TO DEATH

NONISTOWN, Pa., May 29.—Patrick Fleming, 43 years old, a Reading Railway conductor, was killed shortly before midnight above Bridgeport by falling from a locomotive.

CITY HALL WORKERS WANT 2 WEEKS OFF

A request for a two weeks' vacation with pay instead of one was made of Director Watson, of the Department of Public Works, this afternoon by 350 cleaners, painters and other attendants at City Hall.

HUGHES THE MAN TO BEAT WILSON, HITCHCOCK SAYS

"I'm Confident He Will Accept, if Nominated," Chairman Asserts

TAKES BOOM TO CHICAGO

CHICAGO, May 29.—The boom for Supreme Court Justice Hughes for the Republican presidential nomination got under way in earnest here today with the arrival in Chicago of Frank H. Hitchcock, ex-chairman of the Republican National Committee and now chief among the Hughes boosters.

WILL IMPOSE SURTAX ON INCOMES FROM U. S. SECURITIES

LONDON, May 29.—Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, gave notice in Commons today he would move an additional income tax of 2 shillings the pound on the income from American securities acquired by the Treasury.

HEAVY GUNFIRE HEARD IN THE BALTIC

STOCKHOLM, May 29.—Heavy gunfire was heard in the Baltic in the direction of Oese Island on Sunday. Just before the cannonade opened German ships laden with ore were sighted under the convoy of warships.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE TAKE UP MAIL SEIZURE REPLY

LONDON, May 29.—The British Government will hold conversations with the French Foreign Office before any reply is made to the note of the United States protesting against mail seizures. It probably will be a fortnight before the reply is in shape.

BRITISH MARRIED MEN REPORT FOR MILITARY SERVICE

LONDON, May 29.—Married groups between the ages of 27 and 35 reported to the War Office for service today. These men were given a chance to enlist voluntarily under the Derby scheme before conscription goes into effect.

AUSTRIANS LOSE 72,000 MEN IN 12-DAY BATTLE

MILAN, May 29.—A Swiss officer returned from the Trentino estimates the Austrian losses during the 12 days' battle at the rate of nearly 6000 men daily. Other reports from Berne give the Austrian losses at 69,000 men. The Austrian left wing, after seven days' fighting, lost more than half its battalions. These losses are said to have prevented the Austrian progress on the left wing, while the centre was advancing. Austrian military circles are reported bitterly disappointed at the failure of the right and left wings, which compromise the ultimate success of their offensive.

GERMAN LOSSES TO MAY PUT AT 2,822,079

LONDON, May 29.—German losses from the beginning of the war to May 1 as compiled by the British Press Bureau from official German casualty lists, total 2,822,079. During April there were 91,162.

FORD CONSIDERS SECOND PEACE PILGRIMAGE

DETROIT, May 29.—Henry Ford, who organized the peace expedition which sailed for Europe last winter, may return to Europe to renew his efforts to bring about peace among the warring nations. This possibility was made public last night by Theodore de Lathuys, who is in close touch with Mr. Ford. He said Mr. Ford may sail for Stockholm about June 15. Gaston Plintheff, who was left in charge of the peace party when Mr. Ford was taken ill last winter, has been here for some time. It was said he will sail for Europe on June 1.

TELEGRAPHERS TO VOTE ON NATION-WIDE STRIKE

NEW YORK, May 29.—The question of a national strike of commercial telegraphers will be decided by the national convention of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, which will open today. The radical faction wants an immediate strike, while the conservatives favor postponement. The radicals plan to call a strike on June 6, on the eve of the national conventions in Chicago. The general executive board met yesterday to decide upon recommendations. At midnight no decision had been reached. The telegraphers assert that Western Union managers have orders to discharge any known member of the union.

RIVERTON MAN DECORATED FOR BRAVERY IN FRANCE

For conspicuous bravery under fire, Oden Nevin, 25 years old, who has just returned to his home in Riverton, N. J., was awarded the decoration of the third class of the Legion of Honor. He is a former student of the University of Pennsylvania. He was with the American ambulance corps at Dunkirk on May 8 and helped carry the wounded from the field, indifferent to heavy fire. He was at Verdun, where the working day for three weeks averaged 19 hours.

QUICK NEWS

MAURER AND PRESIDENT IN CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, May 29.—James H. Maurer, president of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, today called on President Wilson and discussed labor matters. Mr. Maurer also discussed with the President the question of an adequate national defense.

EX-AMBASSADOR CREEL'S NEPHEW ARRESTED IN MEXICO

JUAREZ, May 29.—Juan Creel, nephew of the former Ambassador to the United States; Enrique Leggett, grandson of Luis Terrazas, the Chihuahua land baron; Francisco Larida and one other Mexican have been arrested and imprisoned here. They were taken into custody when they crossed the international lines.

MONTREAL RACING RESULTS

First race, purse \$600, 2-year-olds, 4 1-2 furlongs—Manokin, 113, Ward, \$4.20, \$4.10 and \$3, won; Imp Joanna 21, 100, Robinson, \$13.50 and \$8.70, second; Conowingo, 100, Mott, \$3.60, third. Time, :57.2-5.

BELMONT RACING RESULTS

First race, 2-year-olds, selling, with \$500 added, 41-2 furlongs—None uch, 109, Ball, 4 to 5 and out, won; Badiant Flower, 109, Mink, 11 to 3, 2 to 5 and out second; Barry 108, Taplin, 15 to 1, 5 to 2 and out, third. Time, :55. Jove also ran.

JAMES J. HILL, GREAT 'EMPIRE BUILDER,' DEAD

Noted Railroad Magnate and Financier Succumbs in 78th Year

STARTED AS POOR BOY

Was Powerful Factor in Development of Northwest's Resources

Epochs in Life of J. J. Hill, Empire Builder in West

Born at Guelph, Wellington County, Ontario, Canada, on September 16, 1838.

First job was clerk in a country store.

Went to St. Paul, Minn., in 1865 and obtained position as a shipping clerk.

Studied fuel and transportation problems, started business of his own and in 1870 built a steamboat.

First to bring coal shipment to St. Paul.

In 1872 opened line from St. Paul to Winnipeg.

In 1873 acquired management of the almost defunct St. Louis and Pacific Railway.

In 1875 with partners got control and reorganized road as the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Company. Became president in 1883.

In 1880 began construction of Northern Pacific, 6000 miles built by 1893.

Organized lake and Pacific fleets.

In 1901 began his operations with Morgan and other interests in the East that, with the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, gained control of the existing vast railroad interests.

Owned a majority of the stock of the following big corporations: Great Northern Railroad, Northern Pacific Railroad, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company, Northern Steamship Company (Great Lakes).

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 29.—James J. Hill, railroad builder and financier, died at his home here today at 9:30 o'clock.

Mr. Hill had been ill for about ten days. Every effort to save his life had been made by a large coterie of specialists, rushed here several days ago from Rochester, Minn., and New York.

Mr. Hill became unconscious two hours before he died. "The end came quickly," said an official statement. "Mr. Hill became unconscious a few hours before. There were no death agonies."

Announcement of Mr. Hill's death was made at his residence by Dr. Herman Biggs, of New York.

Almost all the members of the financier's immediate family were at the bedside when he expired.

The immediate cause of Mr. Hill's death was an abscess which formed on his thigh some time ago, and, despite treatment of famous specialists, steadily became worse.

The infection, it is said, had spread to his knees before death came. He suffered intensely, and had periods of unconsciousness during the last few days.

DEATH FOLLOWS OPERATION.

Physicians gave up hope for his recovery when he failed to rally after the operation Friday. His advanced age, 78, and the intense pain which he suffered from the operation had so weakened his general constitution that he was not able to withstand the strain.

Business conferences were held with Hill on his deathbed. Apparently realizing his condition, he called several railroad officials in Sunday and told them of the disposition he wanted made of several pending matters. When they were gone, he demanded that two bank officers come. Another conference was held.

Despite his wonderful vitality the operation was serious. Special trains were rushed to St. Paul today. One heavy train was run in record-breaking time from Chicago to carry two caskets of a peculiar sedative Hill's specialists suggested.

Dr. W. J. Mayo, Dr. Charles Mayo and two other surgeons from Rochester, Minn., were assisted in the operations by Dr. J. S. Giffelman, Hill's family physician, and Dr. Herman Biggs, State Health Commissioner of New York. Although it was said yesterday Biggs was being rushed here by special train it became known he had been in the Hill mansion since Friday.

RELATIVES AT BEDSIDE.

Rushed here by a special train Mrs. Samuel Hill, of Washington, hurried into the death chamber just in time to grasp the hand of her dying father.

Mrs. A. M. Beard, New York, is the only child who did not get here before the end came. She arrived half an hour after the magnate's death.

At the bedside were all of the other children and grandsons. Mrs. Hill collapsed and is in an extremely nervous condition.

The children are: James W. Hill, New York; George T. Slade, St. Paul; Mrs. Edith Beckman, St. Paul; Walter Hill, Hallowell, Minn.; Mrs. Michael Gavin, New York; and Miss Clara Hill and Louise Hill, who lived at home with their father, and Mrs. Samuel Hill, of Washington; Mrs. A. M. Beard, New York.